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		Angul
		Mayurbhanj
10.	Rajasthan	Sawai Madhopur
		Chittorgarh
		Udaipur
11.	West Bengal	Murshidabad

Habitations without schools

4022. SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 31648 habitations do not have any primary school/Education Guarantee Scheme and Alternative and innovative Education Centres within the one kilometer, as envisaged under SSA;

. (b) if so, the reasons therefor, alongwith the latest details of such habitations in each State, State-wise; and

(c) what are the steps taken or proposed to be taken by Government to increase the coverage of SSA for these habitations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMD. ALIASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (c) All India School Education Survey conducted by National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) in year 2002 estimated that 1070863 habitations in rural areas *i.e.* 86.96% were served by primary schools within one-kilometer radius. As a result of implementation of SSA programme since 2001-02, 186985 new schools have been opened till 31.03.2007. It is now estimated that 98% of habitations in rural areas have a primary school within one-kilometer radius.

Opening up of universities of international standards

† 4023. SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a plan to open universities of international standards in the country;

(b) if so, in which States such universities would be opened; and

(c) whether any time-limit has been fixed for this purpose?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (c) The Eleventh Five Year Plan, approved by the National Development Council, includes, *inter-alia,* the setting up of 14 Central Universities, aiming at world class standards. It has been decided to locate these Universities in the States of Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Gujarat, Karnataka, Kerala,

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Orissa, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal.

Rating to colleges and universities

4024. SHRIMATISHOBHANA BHARTIA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) has decided to provide rating to all the universities/colleges across the country; and

(b) if so the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) and (b) At present, Assessment and Accreditation of Higher Education Institutions by National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) is voluntary. NAAC has so far accredited 140 universities and 3591 colleges in the country. To expeditiously cover a large number of institutions, the NAAC has adopted a new methodology with effect from 1st April, 2007.

Uniform education policy

4025. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has evolved a uniform policy in the entire country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether this policy has been implemented fully; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDES WARI): (a) to (c) No, Sir. As 'Education' is a subject on the Concurrent List of the Constitution, it is the shared responsibility of both the Central and State Governments.

The National Policy on Education (NPE), 1986 (as moditied in 1992) provides for a National System of Education, which implies that up to a given level, all studerits, irrespective of caste, creed, location or sex, have access to education of a comparable quality. It also accords priority for improvement of the standard of education at all levels for children living in rural and urban areas.

(d) Does not arise.

Registration of corruption complaints

4026. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has developed a centralized system to register corruption related complaints against the Central educational institutions;